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SENATE BILL

No. 212

Introduced by Senator Florez

February 23, 2009

An act to amend Section 17578 of, and to add Section 33134 to, the Education Code, relating to school safety.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 212, as amended, Florez. Pupil health: communicable diseases.

Existing law requires the governing board of each school district maintaining a high school to provide for the annual cleaning, sterilization, and necessary repair of football equipment of their schools and requires that all football equipment actually worn by pupils to be cleaned and sterilized at least once a year.

This bill would authorize the governing board of each school district maintaining a high school to provide for the annual cleaning and sterilization of wrestling equipment as specified by the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the State Board of Education. The Superintendent and state board would be required to develop and approve, respectively, information and guidelines on the prevention of communicable diseases at schoolsites. ~~The information and guidelines would be required to address, at a minimum,~~ *including* the maintenance of locker rooms, athletic equipment, and synthetic ground covers used for athletic fields and ways to minimize the spread of ~~methicillin resistant~~ *methicillin-resistant* *Staphylococcus aureus* and meningococcal

disease. The Superintendent would be required to post the information and guidelines on the department's Internet Web site.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 17578 of the Education Code is amended
2 to read:

3 17578. The governing board of each district maintaining a high
4 school shall provide for the annual cleaning, sterilizing, and
5 necessary repair of football equipment of their respective schools
6 pursuant to Sections 17579 and 17580 and may provide for the
7 annual cleaning and sterilizing of wrestling equipment, as specified
8 by the Superintendent and the state board pursuant to Section
9 33134.

10 SEC. 2. Section 33134 is added to the Education Code, to read:

11 33134. The Superintendent shall develop information and
12 guidelines regarding the prevention of communicable diseases at
13 schoolsites and submit the information and guidelines to the state
14 board for its approval. The information and guidelines, at a
15 minimum, shall address the maintenance of locker rooms, athletic
16 equipment, and synthetic ground covers used for athletic fields
17 and ways to minimize the spread of ~~methicillin-resistant~~
18 *methicillin-resistant* *Staphylococcus aureus* and meningococcal
19 disease. *The information and guidelines shall also include, but are*
20 *not limited to, information provided to school staff, including*
21 *classified employees, for training and information to minimize the*
22 *spread of methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus and*
23 *meningococcal disease.* The Superintendent shall post the approved
24 guidelines on the department's Internet Web site.